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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary, Suggestion Awards Committee

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SUBJECT: Suggestion No. 3161

1. To the best of my knowledge no reproduction facility in the Agency produces rolled photostated documents unless such is desired by the requester. The only Office which requests rolled photostats of documents is DD/P, but only to provide for speed. It is understood that these rolls are cut-up in prescribed short lengths and given to a number of analysts for scanning purposes, and that selected segments are then removed by clipping.

2. Rolled documents produced on regular printing gear comes in 300-350 foot lengths and that produced on the Zerox automatic printer may go as high as 2000 feet. The weights involved are sufficient to create a handling problem. The bulk of material in continuous strip form limits capability for rapid retrieval.

3. If all information on a roll is required retrieval of any portion would be difficult, whereas cut sheets or groups of sheets can be filed, as appropriate. If the roll is desired to select certain documents of interest, the original microfilm can be viewed and only that portion required can be requested in print form.

4. All told, this suggestion does not appear to have much merit unless the suggester has some specific use not expressed in his suggestion.

5. These statements have been coordinated with OOR.

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